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## Call for Public Support of Aberdeen Proving Ground at January 29 Community Meeting

A Special Message from the Chesapeake Science & Security Corridor and Army Alliance

**BEL AIR, Md.,** (Jan. 26, 2015) - The Department of the Army will hold a community listening session on Thursday, January 29 from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m. at the Harford Technical High School Amoss Center, 200 Thomas Run Rd, Bel Air, regarding the potential loss of 4,300 military and civilian jobs at Aberdeen Proving Ground.

Show your support for Harford County's leading economic engine and a center of excellence for research, development, test and evaluation for our nation's defense. We need to pack the 1,000-seat auditorium and demonstrate to the Department of Defense our commitment to APG and its more than 90 tenant organizations. The specialized capabilities at Aberdeen Proving Ground make it a unique science and technology powerhouse paramount to the Capitol Region.

This listening session is a follow up to the Supplemental Programmatic Environmental Assessment (SPEA) released this past summer that indicated there would be no significant environmental impacts with the potential reduction of 4,300 jobs at Aberdeen Proving Ground. A strong unified community response at Aberdeen High School on August 4, 2014 expressed concern about the economic impact to our region where

nearly 70 percent of APG's workforce resides in Harford County.

Each of us has a family member or knows someone who works at APG; all of us benefit from the technology and testing that passes through our installation and keeps our nation and our soldiers safe. Please join us this Thursday, January 29, 2015. Let's show up in strength and demonstrate the significance of APG to our community!

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